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P R E S S R E L E A S E

New Bedford Kids Have Access to Supervised, Fun Activities & Nutritious Food When School is Not in Session

New Bedford, Massachusetts—Through the United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service Summer Food Service Program, the City of New Bedford is providing kids with access to supervised, fun activities and nutritious food when school is not in session. The effort, is part of the national Summer Food Service Program (SFSP), a federally funded nutrition program that provides free meals to children ages eighteen and under when school is not in session. In New Bedford, the SFSP is administered by the Department of Parks Recreation & Beaches and supplies meals daily through the end of August to hundreds of children across New Bedford who are enrolled in a participating local camp (Boys & Girls Club, Community Boating, Kool Days etc.) or who visit a neighborhood park as part of the City's "Play in the Parks Program."

The City's Play in the Park and Summer Food Service Program encourages kids to be active, explore the outdoors, have fun and eat healthy during the summer months. At over 20 outdoor sites throughout the New Bedford, youth can participate in activities with Play in the Park staff and access a free snack or lunch between the hours of 10am-2pm.



A free, nutritious lunch is served to all children between 11AM and 12:30 at the following sites and times:

Andrea McCoy Recreation Center 7/5-8/26,
Ashley Park 7/5-8/26,
Blue Meadows Housing 7/5-8/26,
Brickenwood Housing 7/5-8/26,
Brooklawn Park 7/5-8/26,
Buttonwood Park 7/5-8/26,
Clasky Park 7/5-8/26,
Harmony Garden 7/5-8/26,
Dottin Place Housing 7/5-8/26,
Gomes Park 7/5-8/26,
Harrington Park 7/5-8/26,
Magnett Park 7/5-8/26,

Montes Park 7/5-8/26,
Eddie James Park 7/5-8/26,
Parkdale Housing 7/5-8/26,
Phillips Ave Pocket Park 7/5-8/26,
Presidential Housing 7/5-8/26,
River's End Park 7/5-8/26,
Riverside Park 7/5-8/26,
Roberto Clemente Park 7/5-8/26,
Ruth St Playground 7/5-8/26,
Satellite Village 7/5-8/26,
Shawmut Village 7/5-8/26,
Westlawn Housing 7/5-8/26

And, for those children who are enrolled at the following summer camps, breakfast (8-9AM) and lunch (11AM-1PM) are provided to all eligible children free of charge:

All Saints Catholic School
Ashley School 21st CC
Boys & Girls Club of NB
Carlos Pacheco Elementary School
Carney Academy
Children's Connections (NB TAP)
Community Boating Fort Taber
Community Boating Padanaram
Dennison Memorial Community Center
Express Yourself/NB ART Works
Global Charter Learning Center
Gomes School
Grace After School
Harbour House Family Center
Holy Family Holy Name Summer Camp
HOPE
Keith Middle School
Kool Days

Lincoln Elementary NBPS
Nazarene Christian Academy
New Bedford Police GREAT
New Directions Southcoast
RAPP Program/SC Health
Schooner Program (NorthStar)
Schwartz Center/ Meeting St
Something Fishy Summer Camp
Southcoast Youth Courts
St Andrews Church
Temple Landing
Trinity day Academy
Youth Opportunities Unlimited
Whaling City Jr High Summer
YWCA Girls Exclusive
YW Kids Achool Age
YMCA Camp Fredrick Douglass

To learn more about the Summer Food Program in New Bedford, please contact the New Bedford Parks, Recreation & Beaches Department at (508) 961-3015.

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